PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q79329 Masakatsu ARAI, et al. Appln. No.: not yet assigned Confirmation No.: not yet assigned Group Art Unit: not yet assigned Filed: January 12, 2004 Examiner: not yet assigned STENCIL PRINTING INK CONTAINER, STENCIL PRINTING INK CARTRIDGE, For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE INK CARTRIDGE, AND INNER PLUG FOR THE INK CONTAINER **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT** MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. TABLE OF CONTENTS AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION......2